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Amendments to the Claims

- 23. (New): A lighter fluid composition, comprising:
 - (a) between approximately 0.5 percent weight and approximately 90 percent weight of terpene;
 - (b) between approximately 0.5 percent weight and approximately 98.5 percent weight of alcohol;
 - (c) between approximately 0.5 percent weight and approximately 60 percent weight of water;
 - (d) between approximately 0.05 percent weight and approximately 10 percent weight of surfactant; and
 - (e) between approximately 0.1 percent weight and approximately 10 percent weight of a polymeric gel thickening agent, without the addition of any other thickening agent.
- 24. (New) The lighter fluid composition according to claim 23, wherein said terpene is selected from d-limonene and cold press orange oil.
- 25. (New) The lighter fluid composition according to claim 24, wherein said alcohol is selected from methanol and ethanol.